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ADMINISTRATOR

November 6, 2017

The Honorable Greg Abbott  
Governor of Texas  
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Dear Governor Abbott:

I am writing to inform you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has determined that air quality in part of Texas meets the 2015 ground-level ozone standards, consistent with your recommendations for those areas. As such, we are designating these areas "attainment/unclassifiable." The enclosed table lists the portions of Texas the agency is designating at this time. For the rest of Texas, the EPA is not extending the time provided under section 107 of the Clean Air Act but is not yet prepared to issue designations. The agency intends to address these areas in a separate future action.

Improved air quality is a shared goal and together, we have made considerable progress to reduce ozone levels throughout the country. As a testament to cooperative federalism, monitored levels of ozone have dropped 22 percent since 1990. Increasingly important is the recognition of and improved understanding regarding external elements that can impact a state's ability to achieve compliance, including background ozone, international transport and exceptional events. The agency intends to give appropriate consideration to these and many other factors during our continued conversation and work with you and your state staff on the 2015 ozone standards. I appreciate the information already provided and look forward to continued engagement on this important issue.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact me or your staff may contact Troy Lyons, Associate Administrator for the Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, at [lyons.troy@epa.gov](mailto:lyons.troy@epa.gov) or at (202) 564-5200.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Scott Pruitt", is written over a horizontal line. Below the signature, the name "E. Scott Pruitt" is printed in a standard font.

E. Scott Pruitt

Enclosure

**Enclosure: Designated Areas for the 2015 Ozone Standards**

<b>Texas</b>	
<b>Area</b>	<b>Designation</b>
Anderson County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Andrews County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Angelina County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Aransas County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Archer County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Armstrong County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Bailey County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Bastrop County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Baylor County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Bee County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Bell County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Blanco County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Borden County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Bowie County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Brazos County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Brewster County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Briscoe County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Brooks County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Brown County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Burleson County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Burnet County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Caldwell County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Calhoun County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Callahan County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Cameron County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Camp County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Carson County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Cass County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Castro County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Cherokee County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Childress County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Clay County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Cochran County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Coke County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Coleman County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Collingsworth County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Colorado County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Comanche County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Concho County	Attainment/Unclassifiable

Texas	
Area	Designation
Coryell County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Cottle County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Crane County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Crockett County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Crosby County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Culberson County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Dallam County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Dawson County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Deaf Smith County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Delta County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
DeWitt County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Dickens County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Dimmit County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Donley County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Duval County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Eastland County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Ector County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Edwards County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Erath County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Falls County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Fayette County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Fisher County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Floyd County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Foard County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Franklin County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Freestone County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Frio County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Gaines County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Garza County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Gillespie County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Glasscock County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Goliad County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Gonzales County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Gray County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Gregg County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hale County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hall County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hamilton County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hansford County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hardeman County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hardin County	Attainment/Unclassifiable

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Area	Designation
Harrison County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hartley County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Haskell County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hays County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hemphill County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hidalgo County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hockley County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Houston County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Howard County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Hutchinson County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Irion County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Jackson County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Jasper County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Jeff Davis County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Jefferson County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Jim Hogg County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Jim Wells County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Jones County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Karnes County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Kenedy County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Kent County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Kerr County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Kimble County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
King County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Kinney County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Kleberg County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Knox County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Lamar County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Lamb County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Lampasas County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
La Salle County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Lavaca County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Lee County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Leon County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Limestone County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Lipscomb County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Live Oak County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Llano County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Loving County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Lubbock County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Lynn County	Attainment/Unclassifiable



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McCulloch County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
McLennan County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
McMullen County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Madison County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Marion County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Martin County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Mason County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Maverick County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Menard County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Midland County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Milam County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Mills County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Mitchell County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Montague County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Moore County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Morris County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Motley County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Nacogdoches County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Newton County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Nolan County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Nueces County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Ochiltree County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Oldham County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Orange County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Panola County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Parmer County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Pecos County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Polk County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Potter County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Presidio County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Rains County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Randall County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Reagan County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Real County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Red River County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Reeves County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Refugio County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Roberts County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Robertson County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Runnels County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Rusk County	Attainment/Unclassifiable

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Area	Designation
Sabine County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
San Augustine County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
San Patricio County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
San Saba County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Schleicher County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Scurry County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Shackelford County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Shelby County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Sherman County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Smith County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Starr County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Stephens County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Sterling County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Stonewall County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Sutton County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Swisher County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Taylor County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Terrell County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Terry County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Throckmorton County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Titus County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Tom Green County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Travis County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Tyler County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Upshur County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Upton County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Uvalde County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Val Verde County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Van Zandt County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Victoria County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Ward County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Webb County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Wheeler County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Wichita County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Wilbarger County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Willacy County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Williamson County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Winkler County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Wood County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Yoakum County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Young County	Attainment/Unclassifiable

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Area	Designation
Zapata County	Attainment/Unclassifiable
Zavala County	Attainment/Unclassifiable